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SUBJECT: COM CONFERENCES ADDIS ABABA AND MONROVIA
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PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR WILKOWSKI FROM NEWSOM

1. I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD AT YOUR RESPECTIVE CONFERENCE UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CHAIRING PANEL ONE ON QUOTE: IMPACT ON OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS OF SOUTHERN AFRICAN AND ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUES. ENDQUOTE.

2. WHILE YOUR PRESENT POST, I THINK, PLACES YOU IN A PARTICULARLYPERTINENTPOSITION TO OBSERVE THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR US POLICY, I HOPE YOU WILL ALSO FEEL FREE TO DRAW ON YOUR THOUGHTS AND EXPERIENCES ELSEWHERE IN ORDER TO PUT THIS TOPIC IN WIDEST PERSPECTIVE AND STIMULATE LIVELY DISCUSSION.
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3. I ENVISAGE DEVOTING APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR TO THIS ISSUE, BEGINNING WITH A 10-12 MINUTE LEAD PRESENTATION BY YOU, FOLLOWED BY 5 MINUTE COMMENTS BY OTHER PANEL MEMBERS, BEFORE OPENING THE FLOOR TO GENERAL DISCUSSION.

4. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK AMBASSADOR HURD AND MR. KEELEY TO ASSIST YOU IN CONDUCTION THIS PANEL. MR. GAMON IS INVITED TO SERVE AS RAPPORTEUR AS WELL AS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSION.

5. I SUGGEST THAT THE CHAIRMAN IN EACH INSTANCE COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH THE OTHER DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF HIS PANEL REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS DISCUSSION. IF ANY OF US IN AF CAN HELP, DON'T HESITATE TO LET US KNOW. - --

NOTE: AMBASSADOR WILKOWSKI AND MR. KEELEY WILL BE INFORMED OF FOREGOING IN DEPARTMENT. RUSH

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